IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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In re the Application of

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Attn: Applications

Serial No.: New Continuation-in-Part Application Based on U.S. Serial No. 09/601,573 Filed August 4, 2000

Filed: July 24, 2001

For: GUIDING MEANS AT A JOINT

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

The Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to an examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified application as follows.

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please rewrite the first sentence of the application to read as follows:

ECROSS REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS

This application is a continuation-in-part of application serial number 09/601,573, filed August

4, 2000; which is a 35 USC § 371 application of International Application PCT/SE99/00128, filed 01

February 1999.--

IN THE ABSTRACT

Please substitute the attached one page Abstract with the Abstract originally filed with the application.